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1. About 1,500 inmates of the oirculares No. 1 and 2 of the Isle of Pines Prison, the majority of whom belong to the LRR counterrevolutionary movement headed by Dr. Manuel Artime Buess, have been condemned to hard labor, constructing highways and fortifications on the Isle of Pines, apparently in retaliation for the MRR attack on the Central Pilon sugar mill. They have also been denied any form of communication with their families.

(Spanish Service Comment: The source described the above inmates as a select group of Cuba's youth whose behavior in prison has been truly heroic.)

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Asuntp: PRESOS MI LA ISLA DE LOS PINOS

Nuestra fuente manifiesta que presos de Isla de Pinos, de las Circulares I y 2, en donde está lo más granalo de la juven tud cubana, perteneclentes la mayoría al L.R.R., que dirige, como es saudo, El Dr. Manuel Artime Buesa, han sido condenados a trabajos forzados en los propios campos de Isla de Pinos, dedicándo los a la construcción de carreteras y fortificaciones.

El número de estos jóvenes asciende, aproximadamente, a unos mil quini-entos, y su comportamiento en la prisión, según la fuente, ha sido verdaderamente heroicc.

La condena a trabajos forzados, la total incomunicación con sus familias, parece ser una represalia por el ataque al Central Pilón. Desde hace más de un año estos hombres no ven a ninguno de sus familiares.

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